

There being a quorum present, the Convention is in session.

We resume consideration of Committee Recommendations LB-1, LB-2, LB-3, section 3.03. Are there any further amendments to section 3.03? Is Delegate Lord here? Is Delegate Linton here? Delegate Linton, does the comment that you will not offer the amendment apply to both AA and DD?

DELEGATE LINTON: Yes, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Carson.

DELEGATE CARSON: Mr. Chairman, there was another amendment prepared with the same sponsors as Amendment K. I think I can safely speak for Delegate Lord in that the other amendment will not be offered.

THE PRESIDENT: Do you know which amendment it was?

DELEGATE CARSON: Frankly, I do not know the number but it would have called for how delegates would be assigned within delegate districts if the former amendment had passed.

THE PRESIDENT: It was an amendment to section 3.03?

DELEGATE CARSON: Excuse me. It was an amendment to 3.04.

THE PRESIDENT: All right. Are there any other amendments to section 3.03? The Chair hears none.

Amendments to 3.04? You withdraw your amendment M, I take it, Delegate Lord? I think that is the one to which you refer, Delegate Carson?

DELEGATE CARSON: Yes, Mr. Chairman, that is withdrawn at this time.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Linton, do you desire to offer your amendment EE to section 3.04?

DELEGATE LINTON: We are withdrawing all amendments to the section, to this article.

*(Applause.)*

THE PRESIDENT: Is Delegate Boyer here? Delegate Baumann? Delegate Hickman? Do you desire to offer Amendment A?

DELEGATE HICKMAN: Is the Chairman of the Committee going to offer an amendment to 3.04?

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: I am.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Gallagher, do you propose to offer an amendment to section 3.04?

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: I do, Mr. President, and if it is adopted, I think it would render the proposed amendment which Delegate Hickman and Boyer are on unnecessary at this time.

THE PRESIDENT: Is this amendment J?

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Yes, sir, amendment J.

THE PRESIDENT: Will the pages please distribute amendment J? This will be Amendment No. 15. The Clerk will read the amendment. Does every delegate now have a copy of Amendment J? If you have not received Amendment J, please indicate and the page will bring you a copy.

The Clerk will read the amendment.

READING CLERK: Amendment No. 15 to Committee Recommendation LB-1, LB-2, and LB-3, as amended by Report S&D-16, by Delegates Gallagher and others: On page 2, section 3.04, Legislative Districts, in lines 25, 26 and 27 strike out beginning with the numerals "1970" in line 25 down to and including the words "election in" in line 27; and in line 27 strike out the word "twentieth" and insert in lieu thereof the word "tenth".

THE PRESIDENT: The amendment having been submitted by Delegate Gallagher and seconded by the co-sponsors, the Chair recognizes Delegate Gallagher.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Mr. President, ladies and gentlemen, the purpose of this amendment is to provide for redistricting in 1982 and every tenth year thereafter which means therefore that from 1982 and every tenth year thereafter the redistricting commission and the General Assembly itself will have before it the results of the federal decennial census which shall have been taken in the zero year immediately prior to the second year.

We have taken the 1970 requirement for redistricting and have put it in the schedule of transition legislation so that those who had planned to oppose the taking of a redistricting prior to 1970 will have an opportunity to oppose that when the transitional legislation comes to the floor.

We have attempted to make unnecessary including "1970 and every twentieth year thereafter and 1982 and every twentieth year thereafter" by making it "every ten years beginning in 1982" and so forth. In